UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON AT SEATTLE

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The Honorable Richard A. Jones

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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Plaintiff,

v.

JOSE FRANCISCO ARMENTA ESCALANTE and GUMARO MANUEL GONZALEZ FELIX.

Defendants.

No. CR21-054 RAJ

ORDER GRANTING AGREED MOTION TO CONTINUE TRIAL DATE AND PRETRIAL MOTIONS DEADLINE

THIS MATTER having come before the Court on an agreed motion for a continuance of the trial and the pretrial motions due date, and the Court having considered the facts set forth in the motion and the records and files herein, the Court FINDS as follows:

- 1. That the ends of justice will be served by ordering a continuance in this case, that a continuance is necessary to ensure adequate time for effective case preparation and that these factors outweigh the best interests of the public and defendants in a speedy trial.
- 2. A failure to grant the continuance would deny defense counsel the reasonable time necessary for effective preparation, taking into account the exercise of due diligence, within the meaning of 18 U.S.C. § 3161(h)(7)(B)(iv). In addition, the failure to grant a continuance in the proceeding would likely result in a miscarriage of justice, within the meaning of 18 U.S.C. § 3161(h)(7)(B)(i).

ORDER GRANTING AGREED MOTION TO CONTINUE TRIAL DATE AND PRETRIAL MOTIONS DEADLINE (Jose Francisco Armenta Escalante and Gumaro Manuel Gonzalez Felix No. CR21-054 RAJ) - 1 BLACK & ASKEROV, PLLC 705 Second Avenue, Suite 1111 Seattle, WA 98104 206.623.1604 | Fax: 206.658.2401

3. The ends of justice will be served by ordering a continuance in this case, as a continuance is necessary to ensure adequate time for the defense to review discovery and effectively prepare for trial. All of these factors outweigh the best interests of the public and defendant in a more speedy trial, within the meaning of 18 U.S.C. § 3161(h)(7).

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that the Motion (Dkt. # 33) is GRANTED. The trial date is continued to March 21, 2022. All pretrial motions, including motions in limine, shall be filed no later than February 3, 2022.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the resulting period of delay from the date of this Order to the new trial date of March 21, 2022, is hereby excluded for speedy trial purposes under 18 U.S.C. § 3161(h)(7)(A) and (h)(7)(B)(iv).

DATED this 16th day of September, 2021.

The Honorable Richard A. Jones United States District Judge